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REMARKS

Applicants have amended claims 1 and 2, and cancelled claims 11-60 according to the Examiner's restriction requirement. Therefore, ten (10) claims are pending in the application: Claims 1-10. No new matter has been added by these amendments. Applicants respectfully request that the amendments be entered.

By way of this amendment, Applicants have made a diligent effort to place the claims in condition for allowance. However, should there remain any outstanding issues that require adverse action, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner telephone the undersigned at (858) 552-1311 so that such issues may be resolved as expeditiously as possible.

Information Disclosure Statement

Applicants filed two additional information disclosure statements, one on October 28, 2004 and the other on January 30, 2005. Therefore, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to consider the cited references and return initialed and signed the sheets listing the references.

Objections

- 1. The Examiner has objected to the Abstract because it exceeds 150 words. Applications have amended the Abstract as shown above to be less than 150 words. Therefore, Applicants have addressed the Examiner's objections and respectfully request the objection be withdrawn.
- 2. The Examiner objected to FIGS. 4-7 due to inconsistent reference numbering. Applicants have amended FIG. 4 to replace the mistyped reference numeral "400" with -410-. Applicants have further amended FIG. 6 to replace the mistyped reference numeral "420" with -628-, and have amended FIG. 7 to remove the mistyped reference numeral "410" eliminating the duplicate use of reference numeral -410- in FIG. 7.

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The Examiner further objected to reference numeral "505" in FIG. 5. Applicants, however, have amended the specification to replace the paragraph starting on page 18, line 12 replacing the mistyped reference numeral "505" with reference number —506—.

- 3. The Examiner objected to the Specification at page 14, line 7 pointing to the mistyped reference numeral "424". Applicants have amended the paragraph on page 14 beginning on line 4 replacing the mistyped reference numeral "424" with the correct reference numeral —420—.
- 4. The Examiner further objected to the Specification suggesting that pages 51-213 are "unneeded for essential support of the claimed invention." (Office Action, page 4, paragraph no. 8). Applicants respectfully submit that pages 51-213 provide some additional support and/or clarification for the invention described and claimed. Therefore, Applicants traverses such rejection and respectfully request the objection be withdrawn.

Rejection under 35 U.S.C. 103

5. The Examiner has rejected claim 1 as unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,564,255 (Mobini) in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,233,736 (Wolzien). Applicants have amended claim 1, and as such, the combination of references fail to teach each element of amended claim 1. More specifically, claim 1 recites in part, for example:

a navigator coupled to said decoder and said application programming interface, said navigator facilitating user <u>and network-originated control</u> of the playback of said removable media, said computing device receiving network content from said network and combining said network content with said media content, said presentation engine displaying said combined network content and media content on said display.

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(Claim 1, emphasis added). Claim 1 provides for a navigator that facilitates user <u>and</u> network <u>originated control</u>.

Neither the Mobini nor the Wolzien references teach or suggest facilitating both user <u>and</u> network originated control. Instead, the Mobini and Wolzien references specifically limit their control to local controls. Specifically, the Mobini patent describes only getting commands from DVD bit stream where, "[a] 'navigation' command, change source, embedded <u>within the DVD bitstream</u> may include an HTML address which specifies an HTML address which, in the illustrative embodiment, provides DVD compliant data." (Mobini, col. 7, lns. 44-48, emphasis added). The Mobini reference continues on to describe receiving commands only from the "DVD bitstream", stating:

[a]dditionally, the source of data may be switched from the DVD source 204 to another source by embedding commands within the DVD bitstream for the DVD presentation engine 210 ... [and] [a]lternatively, the presentation engine 210 may encounter within the DVD bitstream a change source command that is accompanied by a wait command."

(col. 7, lns. 53-66, emphasis added). Therefore, the Mobini reference does not teach or suggest "navigator facilitating user and network-originated control of the playback of said removable media" as recited in amended claim 1.

Similarly, the Wolzien patent fails to teach network-originated control as claimed. Instead, the Wolzien patent describes receiving commands exclusively from a user and does not utilize "network-originated control" as recited in claim 1. Specifically, the Wolzien patent describes proving addresses for online information and the "user may then elect to establish a connection with the online information." (Wolzien, Abstract, emphasis added). The Wolzien patent continues throughout the description to exclusively limit the command to user initiated commands, and fails to suggest network-originated commands as recited in claim 1. For example, the Wolzien patent recites: "the user may request access to the online information," "the system waits to receive a user command to initiate access," and "the user gives such a command." (Wolzien, col. 4, lns. 6-7; col. 4 lns. 23-24; and col. 7 ln. 44,

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respectively, emphasis added). Therefore, the combination of the Mobini and Wolzien patents fail to teach each element as recited in amended claim 1, and thus claim 1 is not obvious in view of the combined references.

6. The Examiner has further rejected claims 2-8 and 10 as being unpatentable over the Mobini patent in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,907,322 (Kelly et al.). Applicants respectfully traverse these rejections and have amended claim 2 to further clarify the claimed subject matter. The combination of the Mobini and Kelly et al. patents fail to teach each element as recited in at least claim 2. More specifically, amended claim 2 recites in part, for example,

a command handler configured to execute received commands extracted from network-originated content to control playback of removable readable medium ... a navigator state module operably coupled to said command handler, said properties handler, said event generator, and said cookie manager, said navigator state module configured to maintain information regarding the state of said information extraction from said readable medium.

Neither the Mobini nor the Kelly et al. patents teach or suggest at least a command handler configured to execute received commands extracted from network-originated content to control playback of removable readable medium. Instead, as described above, the Mobini patent only gets commands from local DVD bit stream. The Kelly et al. patent only receives control information from a viewer where "website hotlinks can then be used by <u>viewer</u> for access to and display of the selected internet locations." (Kelly et al., Abstract, emphasis added). Therefore, the cited references fail to teach or suggest the media services interface as recited in amended claim 2.

Further, the Examiner generally refers to the Mobini patent stating that "[i]n certain ways" the Mobini patent must teach all of the elements claimed without providing specific support for the assumptions. Still further, the Examiner fails to show how the Mobini patent teaches "a navigator state module operably coupled to said command handler, said properties handler, said event generator, and said

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cookie manager..." as recited in claim 2, emphasis added. Applicants respectfully submit that the Mobini patent does not teach or suggest "a navigator state module operably coupled to said command handler, said properties handler, said event generator, and said cookie manager" and thus does not teach each element as recited in claim 2. Similarly, he Kelly et al. patent also fails to teach these elements and their coupling. Therefore, the combination of references fails to teach each element of amended claim 2, and thus claim 2 is not obvious in view of the combined references.

Claims 3-8 and 10 depend from claim 2. Therefore, these claims are also not obvious over the cited prior art for at least their dependence on claim 2.

7. The Examiner further rejected claim 9 as unpatentable over the Mobini patent in view of the Kelly et al. and Wolzien patents. As introduced above, however, the Wolzien patent also fails to teach or suggest commands extracted from network-originated content. Therefore, the combination of references fails to teach each element as recited in claim 9.

Section 2143.03 of the MPEP states that in order "[t]o establish a prima facie case of obviousness of a claimed invention, all of the claim limitations must be taught or suggested by the prior art." Therefore, a prima facie case of obviousness is not met by the combination of the Mobini and Wolzien patents; the Mobini ad Kelly et al. patents; or the Mobini, Kelly et al. and Wolzien patents as these combinations do not teach or suggest all of the limitations of at least amended independent claims 1 and 2 (MPEP 2143.03). Thus, Applicants respectfully submit that the rejections of claims 1-10 are overcome and should be withdrawn.

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CONCLUSION

Applicants submit that the pending claims are in a condition for allowance, and respectfully request a Notice of Allowance.

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